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Lapeer County Health Department is reporting Lapeer County's second positive case of COVID-19. The individual is an adult male who is currently hospitalized at an out-of-county facility. Lapeer County Health Department is contacting people who have been in close contact with the patient. They will be assessed for symptoms and monitored appropriately.

We ask that you please refrain from phoning the Health Department or Newspapers/Media with requests for additional information. The virus is out in the community and throughout the state and country. Knowing more info on these two cases will not help you avoid places that others may have been who just haven't been identified yet. The best protection you have is to follow the executive order and to stay home if able to do so.

As additional cases are identified, they will be included in the usual daily update to the website. We added a link on yesterday's update to a "self checker" on the CDC website. It can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html> .

As a precaution, Lapeer County Health Department is asking anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 to self-isolate for 14 days to avoid potentially exposing others. Remember, the symptoms of COVID-19 are **not** your usual runny nose and sneezing. Instead, **COVID-19 symptoms** include fever of ≥ 100.4 , dry cough, and shortness of breath. Symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus. If you feel well, you do not need to be tested. If you do become ill, call your doctor before going in to the office. Testing will be determined based on risk assessment.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, people should:

- Stay home if you're sick
- Wash their hands frequently
- Avoid close contact with sick people
- Disinfect commonly touched surfaces
- Avoid touching your face; avoid shaking hands
- Follow suggested guidelines for social distancing
- Follow the Governors Executive Order 2020-21

There is a State informational hotline available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days per week. That number is **1-888-535-6136**. Additional information on COVID-19 can be found on the

MDHHS website (www.michigan.gov/coronavirus), or the CDC website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>).